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In re Application of :
McCAUSLAND *et al* :
U.S. Application No.: 10/591,795 :
PCT No.: PCT/GB2005/00812 :
Int. Filing Date: 03 March 2005 :
Priority Date: 06 March 2004 :
Attorney Docket No.: McCAUSLAND-15819 :
For: REMOVAL OF SODIUM OXALATE :
FROM A BAYER LIQUOR :

DECISION

This decision is in response to applicants' second renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed 15 October 2008.

BACKGROUND

On 13 August 2008, a decision dismissing applicants' renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) was mailed. Applicants were given two months to respond.

On 15 October 2008, applicants filed a second renewed petition which was accompanied by, *inter alia*, a declaration by Peter Mansfield, a copy of a letter sent to the nonsigning inventor and a copy of shipping receipt for the aforementioned letter.

On 10 December 2008, applicants verified that they have still not been contacted by the nonsigning inventor.

DISCUSSION

In the second renewed petition, the 37 CFR 1.47(a) applicants have provided evidence showing that a complete copy of the application, including specification, claims and drawings was provided to Linda Jane McCausland on 08 September 2008. After a request from the undersigned, petitioners verified that Ms. McCausland has still not responded to their request to cooperate as of 10 December 2008. This conduct constitutes a refusal to cooperate as contemplated by § 409.03(d)(II) of the MPEP.

All requirements of 37 CFR 1.47(a) are complete.

CONCLUSION

Applicants' second renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **GRANTED**.

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Applicants have completed the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371(c). The application has an international filing date of 03 March 2005 under 35 U.S.C. 363, and a 35 U.S.C. 371 date of 12 October 2007.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(a), a notice of the filing of this application will be forwarded to the non-signing inventor at his last known address of record and will be published in the Official Gazette.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Division of the Office of PCT Operations for continued processing.


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Ms. McCausland:

You are named as an inventor in the above-captioned United States national stage application, filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.47(a) and 35 U.S.C. 116. Should a patent be granted, you will be designated as an inventor.

As a named inventor, you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or to make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent agent or attorney presenting written authorization from you. The counsel for the applicant is listed below. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.


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